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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: James R. Woodhill)
For: System and Method of Using)
the Public Switched telephone)
Network in Providing)
Authentication or)
Authorization for Online)
Transactions)
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In pending claim 42, second last line thereof, please replace "receiving" with
--received--.

Please enter the following additional claims prior to examination of the above-identified application:

- a' 47. An authorization system comprising:
first and second electronic networks which are, at least in part;
different;
first and second terminals, with each terminal associated with a
respective network;
instructions for receiving an inquiry from the first terminal, via the first
network;